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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

PERFORMING MULTIPLE

SIMULTANEOUS MANIPULATIONS OF

BIOMOLECULES IN A TWO-DIMENSIONAL ARRAY

Examiner: Heather Calamita

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This Response to Restriction Requirement is filed in answer to the non-final Office action, dated November 29, 2006. A one-month period for response was set by the Office action, making a response due on or before December 29, 2006. Applicants hereby petition that the period for reply be extended through January 29, 2007. A one-month extension fee is being paid via the Electronic Filing System. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required in connection with this filing or credit any overpayment to the deposit account referenced on the accompanying transmittal letter.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this Response. No amendments are made.